Cruise Ship Draft Generic Sampling & Analysis Plan Available for Review

EPA has begun an effort to develop standards for the discharge of sewage and graywater from large cruise ships operating in the waters around Alaska under Title XIV: Certain Alaskan Cruise Ship Operations (33 U.S.C. 1902 Note). As part of that effort, EPA intends to sample and analyze wastewater from four cruise ships operating in Alaska this summer. The purpose of this sampling will be to characterize the on-board performance of various advanced sewage and graywater treatment systems.

EPA would like to solicit comments on the draft Generic Sampling and Analysis Plan for this sampling effort. To download a copy of the Plan, please go to www.epa.gov/owow/oceans/cruise ships/. There is a link to the Plan at the bottom of the right-hand column on this web page.

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